



**Update for the Mental Health Services Oversight and
Accountability Commission (MHSOAC)
From California Department of Mental Health (DMH)
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Following is a summary of key implementation activities regarding the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA).

Status of Local Funding

Deposits through 3/31/08	\$3,137.3M
Commitments through FY 07/08	\$2,485.2M
Planning Estimates for Counties	
Approved Local Funding	\$1,020.7M
Local Plans Submitted and Approved	
Of this amount, \$733M has been distributed to counties.	

The California Department of Finance (DOF) released the amount that will be deposited in the MHSA fund as the annual adjustment on 7/1/08 for tax year 2006. The total is \$438.4M. It's \$2.4M higher than the previous estimate.

Status of Local Plan Approvals

Component	Plans Submitted	Plans Approved
<i>Community Program Planning</i>	59	59
<i>Community Services & Supports</i>		
Initial Plan	58	57
FY 07/08 Initial Expansion \$115M	39	37
FY 07/08 One-Time Augmentation	17	14
MHSA Housing Program	1	0
FY 08/09 Update	0	0
<i>Workforce Education & Training</i>		
Community Program Planning	45	45
Component Plan	8	0
<i>Prevention & Early Intervention</i>		
Community Program Planning	37	36
Component Plan	1	0
<i>Capital Facilities and Technological Needs</i>	0	0

Guidance Provided to Counties

Since the last update to the MHSOAC in February, DMH has released the following guidance to counties.

- DMH Information Notice No.: 08-04, Mental Health Services Act Fiscal Questionnaire
 - Notice of DMH's plan to conduct fiscal reviews of counties
- DMH Information Notice No.: 08-05, Community Services and Supports (CSS) General System Development Housing
 - Provides guidance to counties regarding use of CSS funding for housing.
 - Allows only housing development when the owner of record is governmental. (DMH is developing a revision to this policy also allowing private development.)
- DMH Information Notice No.: 08-07, Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Reversion Policy
 - Describes how the statutory requirements for reversion of unexpended funds will be implemented.
- DMH Information Notice No.: 08-08, Implementation Progress Report for the Community Services and Supports (CSS) Component of the Three-Year Program and Expenditure Plan for Calendar Year 2007
 - Provides the format the annual report for CSS for calendar year 2007.
- DMH Information Notice No.: 08-09, Mental Health Services Act Capital Facilities and Technological Needs Component - Three-Year Program and Expenditure Plan Guidelines
 - Provides information regarding the use of funds and plan submission guidelines for Capital Facilities and Technological Needs Component.
- DMH Information Notice No.: 08-10, Community Services and Supports (CSS) Plan Update Guidelines for Fiscal Year (FY) 2008/09
 - Describes the process and provides the forms for the FY 08/09 CSS local plans.
- DMH Information Notice No.: 08-11, Assignment of Community Services and Supports (CSS) Funds for the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Housing Program
 - Provides form for counties to use when they decide to dedicate additional CSS funds to the MHSA Housing Program.

More information

Additional information is available on our website at
http://www.dmh.ca.gov/Prop_63/MHSA/default.asp.

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